GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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ADHOC SPECIALISTS OF CHS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Ad-hoc Specialists of CHS have been working in the Health Department under A&N Administration for the last nine years;

(b) if so, whether in the meeting of Standing Committee of IDA in October, 2001, it was recommended that services of these Ad-hoc Specialists may be regularized;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the time by which the services of these specialists are likely to be regularized?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a): At present, there are four doctors who have been working on ad-hoc basis for the last nine years;

(b): In the meeting of the Standing committee of IDA held in October 2001 it was decided that immediate action in consultation with UPSC may be taken to ensure that the locally available doctors holding specialists posts are regularized.

(c)&(d): Specialists are appointed on regular basis only through UPSC.Ad hoc doctors have to apply as and when vacancies are advertised by the UPSC.This Ministry had invited application from candidates willing to serve in Andaman and Nicobar Islands on deputation/permanent absorption basis. Out of the 8 doctors working on ad-hoc basis in Andaman and Nicobar Islands 6 applied for deputation/absorption in response to these advertisement. UPSC recommended 3 of these candidates for deputation.And the three doctors (viz., Dr. R.K. Haldar-Dermatology; Dr.(Smt.) Munni Singhania-Paediatrics; Dr. (Smt.) Kusum Kunwar-Obst.&Gynae) who were working in the non-teaching specialists sub-cadre on ad-hoc basis were offered the post on deputation basis.